

## CONSUL TO SAVE CONDEMNED MEN

Lelevier at Douglas Wants Life Term For Five Mexican Murder Convicts.

Douglas, Ariz., May 15.—Ives G. Lelevier, consul of the de facto Mexican government in this city, left Sunday night for Phoenix to try to secure the consent of the Arizona board of pardons to commuting the sentences of five Mexicans, condemned to be hanged on May 19 for murder, to life imprisonment. His departure followed the receipt of a telegram from the Latin Protective League of Phoenix, urging him to intervene as a last hope for saving the lives of the men.

Consul Lelevier held a telegraphic conference with the minister of foreign relations of Mexico and was urged to use his best efforts in behalf of the men.

The consul carried with him a letter from Gen. P. Elias Calleja, military governor of Sonora, to Gov. George W. P. Hunt of Arizona, urging him to intervene in the case in the name of humanity.

### 200 SAN BENITO MEXICANS WOULD FIGHT FOR THE U. S.

Brownsville, Texas, May 15.—At a mass meeting here Sunday of 250 Mexicans it was decided not to minister to Mexican who had expressed a desire to fight for the United States into the Texas national guard, but to hold them to answer a call of the United States government.

The mass meeting was addressed by Col. E. L. Bullard, Maj. L. P. Kilbourne of the 26th Infantry and several Mexicans.

## THREE VILLISTAS SLAIN IN FIGHT

American Officer and Privates Punish Snipers at Villista Rendezvous.

BY GEO. H. CLEMENTS.  
Advanced Base, U. S. Army, Near Laguna de Hascote, Mex., May 15.—Villistas, including Julio Cardenas, a former Villista captain, were killed this afternoon when they attacked a detachment of ten soldiers and two guides under command of Lieut. George S. Patton, while attempting to buy corn at the Robin ranch, 25 miles southeast of this camp.

Robin ranch is famous as a rendezvous of Villa followers. It was from there that the expedition started which resulted in the murder of 18 Americans and others at Santa Ysabel in January. Scout S. J. Holly was killed there ten days ago and a foraging party sniped at from there four days ago.

Lieut. Patton approached the ranch house cautiously today, turning his automobile out of danger. As he turned a corner of the building, he was fired upon but not hit. He shot the man through the body with his pistol. Two others ran ahead and fired upon Patton and then attempted to ride away on horses in the rear at a gallop. The horses were killed and the men wounded, but they kept fighting until killed. No Americans were hit.

### GEN. ENRIQUEZ ON LEAVE; COL. TRIVINO IS IN CHARGE

Gen. Enriquez of Chihuahua has been given a 20 days leave of absence and gone to Mexico City on business. During his absence, Col. Francisco L. Trevino is acting governor.

## INCREASED TAX PUT ON METALS

Mexican Export Duty is Raised; Tax on Amusements Raised.

Another increase in export duties has been placed on all metals exported from Mexico.

The order for the increase required by the government was issued Monday.

The duty on silver is placed at 4.57 pesos per kilo. As a kilo of silver, about 22 ounces, is selling in the American market for about \$22, the duty amounts to about 12 percent, or almost \$2.50 gold per kilo.

On lead, the duty is 1.45 centavos per kilo. A kilo of lead is about 2.2 pounds. Lead is only bringing about \$1.50 per hundred pounds in the United States.

The duty on antimony is the same as lead. On zinc, the duty is 3.32 centavos per kilo.

On copper, the duty is 5.28 centavos per kilo. As the order specifies that the duty is payable in Mexican gold, this means that it is half the above amounts in American money. The duty on copper, it is said, will hit the shippers the hardest.

In addition to the increased export duty on metals, a new taxation order is published in Diario Oficial received in Juarez Sunday. The order specifies that 10 percent of the gross receipts of all moving picture houses, theaters, musical entertainments and "casual" games played in the open air.

### VIZCARRA TO GO UNDER GUARD TO MEXICO CITY

Gabino Vizcarra, the El Paso broker who has been held in jail in Juarez several days on a charge said to come from minister of Finance, Licio G. Herrera, of the de facto government, will be sent on the next regular train to Mexico City. Gen. Gabino Gavira, commander in Juarez, said Monday morning. Vizcarra will be guarded by a detachment of soldiers.

American consul Thomas D. Edwards said Sunday that it was his understanding that Vizcarra was being held to answer a charge made by the financial department of the de facto government, and that the case was one over which the government had exclusive jurisdiction. Vizcarra was formerly connected with it in an official capacity.

### "VIVA VILLA." SHOUT BANDITS; ROB TRAIN NEAR QUERETARO

Laredo, Tex., May 15.—A train attached to which was the private car of Charles A. Douglas, president Wilson's representative in Mexico, was derailed by an explosion between Queretaro and Paloma Gonzales, Mex., last Friday and the passengers, including a Carranza paymaster, were robbed.

According to a report brought here today by passengers who were on the train and who arrived from Mexico City, they said the private car of Mr. Douglas was not molested.

The engineer, fireman and five persons riding on the tender were killed. American passengers are said to have been robbed of \$500 in gold. The bandits, who are said to have been Zapata followers, shouted "Viva Villa."

### YUCATAN GOVERNOR PLANS TO BUILD RAILWAY LINES

Mexican consul Andres Garcia has been notified by the bureau of information at Mexico City that Gen. Alvarado, of Yucatan, has organized a company with \$100,000,000 Mexican gold, with an object of improving communications and building railway lines in the southeastern portion of the country.

According to a statement issued by the Mexican department of finance, over \$47,000,000 of paper money has been destroyed.

### JEWIS HONOR TROOP COINER KILLED ON TEXAS BORDER

New York, May 15.—Jews gathered here Sunday to honor private William Cohen, troop A, 14th cavalry, who was killed by Mexican bandits on the Texas border. Private Cohen was given a military funeral.

Representative Isaac Siegel, delivered a short eulogy, emphasizing the national duty of the Jew to his adopted country.

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## Maj. Moore Dies AT FORT BLISS

Succumbs to Attack of Appendicitis in Field With Pershing Expedition.

Maj. James A. Moore, of the 16th infantry, an officer well known in El Paso and considered by American military men as one of the brilliant commanders of the service, died at the base hospital at Fort Bliss Sunday afternoon of peritonitis, as the result of an attack of appendicitis while in service with his regiment in the punitive expedition near Nautiquipa, Chih. Maj. Moore was brought to Columbus by motor truck and arrived at Fort Bliss Saturday.

Maj. Moore was 45 years of age. He was born in Connecticut, Sept. 26, 1867. He was appointed to West Point from Michigan, June 16, 1888, and graduated and was appointed second lieutenant in the Third Infantry June 11, 1892. He was promoted to first lieutenant April 25, 1893; captain 27th Infantry, Feb. 2, 1901; major 18th Infantry, Feb. 3, 1911. He served on the general staff in Washington from July to December, 1912, and had been adjutant of the 27th Infantry. He was a graduate of the army school of the line, the army staff college, and had just recently completed a course in the army war college at Washington.

Maj. Moore had a record for distinguished service in the Philippines and was awarded in a battle in the island of Mindanao in 1901. He served in several Indian campaigns and in Cuba.

Maj. Moore is survived by his wife, who is residing here from their home in Washington, and a son, Tommie Moore, who is a cadet in the academy at West Point. Maj. and Mrs. Moore resided at the Montana apartments last year.

Funeral arrangements will be made upon the arrival of Mrs. Moore in El Paso.

### "INFALSIFICABLES" ARE OFFERED AT 10c PER PESO

Strong efforts are being made by the de facto government of Mexico to stabilize the new issue of paper currency now being put into circulation throughout the country under the name of "infalsificables," at the exchange rate of 10 cents to 1 U. S. C. peso. The currency was engraved and printed by an American house, which used a specially made paper for the purpose, similar to that used in the printing of the old state and national bank bills of Mexico. Mexicans distinguish the new issue by the name of "non-counterfeitables" from the many other issues of fiat paper that have preceded it.

In Juarez the collector of the port has orders to exchange the new currency for merchants of that city exclusively at the rate of 20 centavos Mexican gold per peso. A notice to this effect has been posted on the bulletin board of the customs house. It is signed by Santiago Gonzalez, collector. Mexican gold pieces are quoted in the money exchanges at the rate of 20 cents American money per peso; therefore, the present exchange rate is equivalent to ten cents U. S. C. per peso.

### HUTCHINGS AND FUNSTON TO DISCUSS MORE MILITIA

Austin, Tex., May 15.—Adj. Gen. H. Hutchings left today for Fort Sam Houston, where he will have a conference with Gen. Funston relative to the proposition to recruit an additional unit to the Texas National Guard. Gen. Hutchings will also confer relative to the disposition of the Texas troops.

### CARRANZA ORDERS LOWER FREIGHT RATES FOR FOOD

Mexican consul Andres Garcia has been advised that a decree has been issued by the first chief Carranza lowering freight rates on all articles of prime necessity, especially grain, in order to facilitate the movement of food products from producing to non-producing districts.

### AMERICANS ARE LEAVING SAN LUIS POTOSI DISTRICT

Washington, D. C., May 15.—The department advises today that most of the Americans in the San Luis Potosi district had obtained transportation either to the Mexican coast or to the United States. Only 18 remain.

The situation at Piedras Negras is improving. The consul at Monterey telegraphs that interruption of railroad communication made it difficult for Americans to leave Guadalupe. Reports of a similar nature were received from consuls at various points, coming in response to instructions to advise Americans to return to the United States.

### GEN. BERTANI WILL VISIT HIS MOTHER IN ORIZABA

Gen. Pablo Bertani, the de facto government army officer who was in command at Palomas, Chih., just prior to the entrance of United States troops on the Villa expedition, and who later came to El Paso for a surgical operation, is convalescing at his residence in the old Banco Nacional in Juarez and has said that he will leave in a few days for Orizaba, Vera, to visit his mother.

### 15 IN KINGSVILLE JAIL AS RESULT OF RAID PLOT

Cornus Christi, Texas, May 15.—Fifteen men now are in the Kingsville jail as a result of what Sheriff Scarborough and secret service men say was the plot of Jose M. Morin, former Villa officer, to blow up the Kingsville bank and a hardware store. The officials say that, according to the evidence gathered, it was the plan to first fire a gun at the edge of the town, attracting the attention of the people and then set off the explosive.



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